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MEMORANDUM FOR: Commander, White House Communications Agency

SUBJECT: Secure Voice Conferencing

1. At the direction of the Director of Central Intelligence, my staff has developed a secure voice conferencing capability for selected watch offices in the intelligence community and the NMCC. This network has been designated as the National Operations and Intelligence Watch Officers Net (NOIWON).

2. The object of providing this conferencing capability is to improve the timeliness and completeness of intelligence within the community and to improve the quality of support to the White House. My staff has identified a requirement to connect the White House Situation Room, the State Operations Center, the NSA (NSOC), the National Military Command Center (NMCC), the DIA (NMIC), and the CIA Operations Center. Mr. McManis has requested that the White House Situation Room be included as soon as possible in this net. The NOIWON is presently using NSA grey phone facilities with all parties connected except the WHSR. The quickest way to include the WHSR in the net would be to connect it by grey phone to NSA.



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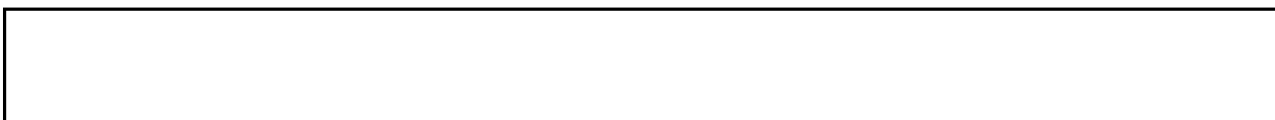
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ask you to consider the feasibility of using the new switchboard to establish the secure voice conference net described in paragraph 2. This would enable us to include the WHSR and provide the necessary improvements to the NOIWON much sooner, and much cheaper, than by any other means presently available.

4. Mr. McManis has indicated that using the WHCA switchboard would meet his requirements, and it would certainly improve the net insofar as the intelligence community is concerned.



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Acting Deputy to the DCI for
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cc: Director, White House
Situation Room



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